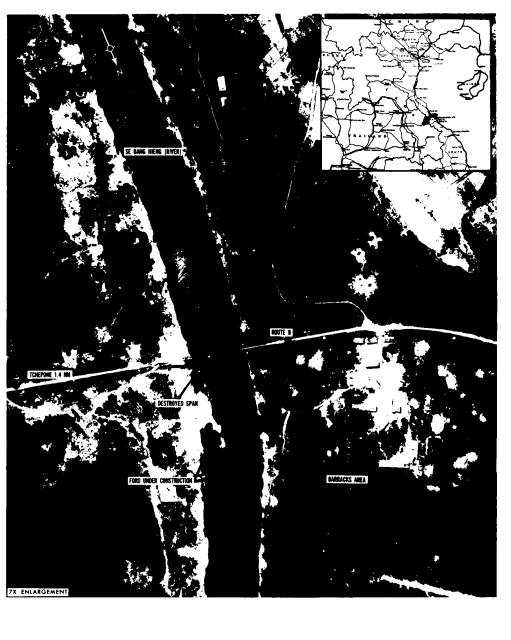
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1. FIR	ST REVEALED DAMAGE TO 25	5X1
THE EASTERNMOST SPAN OF THE FOUR-SPAN, HALF-THROU	GH, STEEL-TRUSS ROUTE	
9 HIGHWAY BRIDGE OVER THE SE BANG HIENG (RIVER) 1		
TCHEPONE, RENDERING IT IMPASSABLE TO VEHICLES.		
2. REPORT	TED THE SPAN TO BE 25	5X1
PARTIALLY COLLAPSED. FLOODING ACTION WAS APPARED	NT ON BOTH BANKS OF	
THE RIVER, AND THERE WAS NO INDICATION OF ATTEMPT		
		5X1
PASS APPROXIMATELY 0.2 NM EAST OF THE BRIDGE, WH	ICH CONNECTED ROUTE 9	
WITH THE PARTIALLY-COLLAPSED SPAN. THE BRIDGE A		
ABLE FOR VEHICULAR TRAFFIC.		
14.	HEVEALED A 25	※ 1
NEWLY-IDENTIFIED STAIRS CONNECTING THE COLLAPS	SED SPAN WITH ROUTE 9.	
NO BOMB DAMAGE Will UBSERVED.	,	
5	, REVEALED THE 25	5X1
SPAN ADJACENT TO THE TREVIOUSLY DAMAGED SPAN TO	HARL COLLAPSED INTO THE	
SE BANG HIENG (RIVER) - A RESULT OF BOMB DAMAGE		
UMBERVECEABLE. THE STAIRWAY WAS ALSO DESTROYED		
OBSERVED IN THE AREA.		
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6. THIS MISSION, REVEALS A NEW 25X	(1
FORD BEING CONSTRUCTED O.1 NM NORTH OF THE DESTROYED BRIDGE. THE FORD,	
PROBABLY CONSTRUCTED OF PLANKS OR LOGS, APPEARS 30 PERCENT COMPLETED.	
APPROACH ROADS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE RIVER CONNECT THE FORD WITH ROUTE	
9. NO APPARENT CHANGE IS OBSERVED AT THE PREVIOUSLY DESTROYED BARRACKS	
AREA LOCATED 0.2 NM WEST OF THE BRIDGE.	(1
7. AREA HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY COVERED BY NUMEROUS LUCKY	
DRAGON, TROJAN HORSE, MISSIONS. 25X	(1

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